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SUBJECT: TEXTS OF TOASTS AT SECRETARY'S LUNCHEON FOR  
CHAVAN, OCTOBER 7

1. FOLLOWING ARE VERBATIM TEXTS OF TOASTS AS DELIVERED  
BY SECRETARY AND FONMIN ON OCTOBER 7. THEY ARE BEING  
MADE AVAILABLE TO PRESS BY DEPARTMENT. WE HAVE NO  
OBJECTION TO YOUR USE.

SECRETARY KISSINGER

2. MR. FOREIGN MINISTER, MR. AMBASSADORS, DISTINGUISHED  
GUESTS, I'VE BEEN TESTIFYING SO MUCH BEFORE CONGRESSIONAL  
COMMITTEES FOR THE LAST THREE DAYS THAT I DON'T KNOW  
ANY MORE WHETHER I CAN PRESENT A COHERENT STATEMENT.  
AND BELIEVE IT, I CAN TALK ABOUT ANYTHING EXCEPT THE  
EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI ACCORD. BUT THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND  
I HAVE HAD EXTREMELY CORDIAL AND USEFUL TALKS IN THE  
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LAST TWO DAYS. WE HAVE BEEN MEETING EACH OTHER ON SO

MANY OCCASIONS, MAKING SO MANY TOASTS TO EACH OTHER THAT WE PRETTY WELL EXHAUSTED THE SUBJECT. I HAVE TO SAY THAT THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE ATTENDED OTHER FUNCTIONS I HAVE TO APOLOGIZE IF YOU FIND A CERTAIN SIMILARITY IN

WHAT I SAY, BUT I CANNOT INVENT NEW REASONS FOR THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INDIA AND THE UNITED STATES SIMPLY FOR THE SAKE OF ORIGINALITY.

3. BASICALLY, THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO GREAT COUNTRIES HAS, IN OUR VIEW, REACHED A NEW LEVEL OF MATURITY. WE HAVE TRIED TO FREE IT FROM SENTIMENTALITY, AND WE HAVE TRIED TO RELATE IT TO THE PERMANENT INTERESTS AND VALUES OF BOTH COUNTRIES.

4. MR. FOREIGN MINISTER IS VISITING US AT A TIME WHEN THE PERCEPTION IN AMERICA OF ITS ROLE IN THE WORLD IS CHANGING, WHICH IS A RATHER PAINFUL PROCESS. IN THE IMMEDIATE POST-WAR PERIOD WHEN WE FIRST FORMED OUR RELATIONS WITH INDIA AND WITH MANY OTHER COUNTRIES, AMERICA WAS IMMENSELY POWERFUL IN RELATION TO ALL OTHER COUNTRIES, AND ALSO WE WERE REASONABLY INNOCENT ABOUT OUR MOTIVES, AND WE THOUGHT WE HAD ALREADY ACHIEVED THE STATE OF PERFECTION, AND THAT MADE OUR RELATIONSHIP SOMETIMES DIFFICULT BECAUSE WE RAN INTO ONE OR TWO INDIANS WHO THOUGHT THEY HAD ALREADY ACHIEVED A STATE OF PERFECTION. (LAUGHTER) AND DIALOGUE BECAME SLIGHTLY COMPLICATED WHEN THE PERCEPTIONS DIDN'T AGREE.

5. BUT WE'VE HAD TO LEARN IN RECENT YEARS THAT WE HAVE TO CONDUCT FOREIGN POLICY IN A WAY THAT MANY OTHER NATIONS HAVE HAD TO THROUGHOUT THEIR HISTORY WITH RELATIVELY LIMITED MEANS, POWERFUL MEANS BUT STILL LIMITED IN RELATION TO ALL THE THINGS WE COULD DO, AND THAT GOODWILL ALONE IS NO GUARANTEE FOR EFFECTIVE ACTION, AND THAT TO UNDERSTAND THE VALUES AND INTERESTS OF OTHER COUNTRIES IS THE PREREQUISITE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DIALOGUE.

6. I THINK INDIA TOO HAS GONE THROUGH A PROCESS OF UNCLASSIFIED

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TRANSITION IN THESE DECADES. SO WE HAVE EMERGED FROM SOME DIFFICULT YEARS WITH, I THINK, A MORE RELIABLE UNDERSTANDING OF EACH OTHER THAN HAS EVER EXISTED PREVIOUSLY. THAT UNDERSTANDING IS BASED ON THE FACT THAT BOTH INDIA AND THE UNITED STATES HAVE AN OVERRIDING INTEREST IN PEACE IN THE WORLD AND THAT THEY CAN COOPERATE FROM QUITE DIFFERENT NATIONAL PERSPECTIVES ON THAT OBJECTIVE. WE HAVE AN INTEREST IN STABILITY NOT

ONLY IN THE WORLD BUT ALSO ON THE SUBCONTINENT, AND IN THE BIG ISSUE THAT IS BEFORE US ALL TODAY, WHICH IS HOW THE DEVELOPING NATIONS CAN JOIN THE PROGRESS OF THE DEVELOPED NATIONS AND HOW THAT CAN BE ACHIEVED WITH AN ATTITUDE OF COOPERATION RATHER THAN THROUGH CONFRONTATION.

INDIA, AS ONE OF THE MOST MATURE OF THE DEVELOPING NATIONS, WITH AN ADVANCED SCIENTIFIC BASE, CAN PROVIDE A VERY USEFUL ROLE OF LEADERSHIP AND A VERY IMPORTANT PARTNER IN THE DIALOGUE.

7. NOW, THE COMMISSIONS WHICH HAVE BROUGHT THE FOREIGN MINISTER HERE PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN THIS PROCESS BECAUSE THEY FOCUS ON SOME OF THE PERMANENT AND LONG-TERM ISSUES THAT HAVE TO BE DEALT WITH BETWEEN TWO SOCIETIES, AND, IN FACT, AMONG MOST OF THE SOCIETIES IN THE WORLD. AND IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT DESPITE SOME DISAGREEMENT EARLIER THIS YEAR THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION HAS GONE ON AND HAS BROUGHT GOOD RESULTS AND WILL NOW BE ACCELERATED.

8. WE ARE BOUND TO HAVE DISAGREEMENTS NOW AND THEN, BUT WE WILL ALWAYS KEEP IN MIND, AND WE SHOULD ALWAYS KEEP IN MIND, THE BASIC COMMUNITY OF PURPOSES, THE FACT THAT WE ARE REPRESENTING TWO GREAT NATIONS WHO HAVE A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION TO MAKE TO PEACE IN THE WORLD AND AN INDISPENSABLE CONTRIBUTION TO DEVELOPMENT.

9. SO WE ARE DELIGHTED TO SEE YOU HERE IN WHAT IS THE FIRST OF MORE FREQUENT MEETINGS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE COMMISSION AND IN OTHER WAYS.

10. I WOULD LIKE YOU ALL TO JOIN ME IN A TOAST TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER OF INDIA. FOREIGN MINISTER.  
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FOREIGN MINISTER CHAVAN

11. MR. SECRETARY OF STATE, SENATORS, AND FRIENDS, I WISH TO THANK YOU FIRST OF ALL FOR THIS LUNCH. YOU SAID YESTERDAY THAT INDIA WAS AHEAD OF THE UNITED STATES IN SO FAR AS OFFICIAL HOSPITALITY WAS CONCERNED. YOU, MR. SECRETARY, HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY MODEST. I SEE YOU ARE FAR AHEAD OF US IN THE FACILITIES YOU HAVE AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT. I HAVE LOST MY ABILITY TO WORK AFTER SUCH A SUMPTUOUS MEAL.

12. MR. SECRETARY, SINCE WE BEGAN OUR DISCUSSIONS YESTERDAY REGARDING FURTHER STRENGTHENING OF COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES IN THE ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC,

EDUCATIONAL, AND CULTURAL FIELDS, WE HAVE MADE A SUCCESS OF THIS, AND MY THANKS ARE DUE TO COLLEAGUES ON BOTH SIDES FOR HAVING WORKING OUT A VERY USEFUL DOCUMENT.

, I FULLY SHARE YOUR VIEW THAT THE JOINT COMMISSION HAS PROVIDED ANOTHER MECHANISM WHICH HAS HELPED TO

INSULATE OUR RELATIONS FROM DAY-TO-DAY PROBLEMS. I WOULD EVEN GO A STEP FURTHER AND SAY THAT IT HAS ADDED AN EXTRA DIMENSION TO OUR RELATIONS WHICH CAN BE OF TREMENDOUS BENEFIT TO BOTH OUR COUNTRIES IN THE MONTHS AND YEARS AHEAD.

14. INDIA ATTACHES GREAT IMPORTANCE TO FRIENDSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES. WE SHARE MANY COMMON IDEAS AND OBJECTIVES, AND THERE IS MUCH THAT OUR TWO COUNTRIES CAN DO TOGETHER FOR PEACE, COOPERATION, AND INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING.

15. WE ARE ALSO INTERESTED IN MAINTAINING THE DIALOGUE WHICH HAS TRADITIONALLY EXISTED BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES, BOTH AT THE OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL LEVELS. INDIA REMAINS DEEPLY COMMITTED TO THE POLICY OF PEACE, INDEPENDENCE AND COOPERATION OF ALL NATIONS; WOULD LIKE TO BRING A DURABLE STRUCTURE OF PEACE IN ASIA BASED ON SOVEREIGN EQUALITY AND INDEPENDENCE OF ALL NATIONS  
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IN THE AREA, FREE FROM OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE. WE DO NOT SEEK ANY EXCLUSIVE RELATIONSHIP WITH ANY COUNTRY. OUR FRIENDSHIP WITH ONE COUNTRY IS NOT DIRECTED AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF ANOTHER COUNTRY. AS FROM THE DAYS OF JAWAHARLAL NEHRU, NONALIGNMENT, AND PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE HAS BEEN AND WILL REMAIN THE MAIN POLITICAL POLICIES, PRINCIPLES AND ACTIONS IN CONDUCTING OUR RELATIONS WITH THE OUTSIDE WORLD.

16. MR. SECRETARY, I SHOULD ALSO LIKE TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE FOR THE WARM HOSPITALITY, COURTESY, AND COOPERATION EXTENDED TO ME AND MY DELEGATION DURING OUR VISIT TO WASHINGTON. I LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU IN INDIA FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF THE INDIA JOINT COMMISSION.

17. I WOULD REQUEST YOU TO JOIN ME IN DRINKING A TOAST TO THE HEALTH OF SECRETARY OF STATE DR. HENRY KISSINGER, AND TO EVERLASTING FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN INDIA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. KISSINGER

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